

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A temporary shaft-component connection for assembling a
selected golf club shaft with a club head and/or hand grip segment, to
facilitate custom club design and fitting to suit the needs and preferences of
an individual golfer. The temporary shaft-component connection is
particularly designed for use with nonmetallic club shafts formed from a
graphite-based composite material or the like having a range of different
lengths and stiffness (whip) characteristics. The temporary connection
10 includes an adapter insert for slide-fit reception into an adapter socket,
wherein the adapter insert and socket include interengaging flat surfaces
such as splines to prevent relative rotation therebetween. The adapter insert
is mechanically seated and secured relative to the adapter socket at a pair
of axially spaced locations, with a resilient compressible anchor member
15 disposed at one of these securement points for substantially eliminating
undesired intercomponent movement.